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The reply filed February 12, 2007 is not fully responsive to the Restriction/Elections Requirement mailed January 11, 2007. Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8 and 9 have been cancelled, claims 3 and 7 have been amended and claims 10-13 have been added. Applicants have elected Group II (claim 3) with traverse. Newly amended claim 3 is directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed. Claim 3 as originally presented was drawn to a method for detecting aberrant promoter methylation comprising detecting methylation of the PAX5 beta gene. The newly amended claim 3 is now directed to a method of monitoring for cancer. The election of amended claim 3 does not fall within one of the groups set forth in the Restriction/Elections Requirement.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alana M. Harris, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-0831. The examiner works a flexible schedule, however she can normally be reached between the hours of 7:30 am to 6:30 pm, with alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Larry R. Helms, Ph.D. can be reached on (571) 272-0832. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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